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Winning Weapon

TO the outside world the Hungarian scene remains bewilderingly complex and indeterminate. Nevertheless, one thing is transparently clear: while it is inevitable the people of Hungary should lose their battle of arms against Soviet military might, they have refused to subjugate their will to the Russian overlord or to the stooges he has set up as a so-called government. Through their new found courageous obstinacy, the Hungarians may yet find the path to the victory they seek—freedom and independence.

The weapon with which the people of Hungary are now fighting their spontaneous political leaders is passive resistance, and the immediate signs are that it is proving successful. It is paralyzing the puppet government and makes a mockery of the presence of Russian tanks and soldiers. Russian-installed Premier Janos Kadar appears to be despairing of the frustration he is enduring.

It would be false, however, to suggest that the political and economic freedom which the Hungarian people so insistently demand is already theirs. The set of concessions which Kadar has promised to the workers does not differ greatly from the assurances given by Nagy a fortnight ago. Yet the Hungarians were then deliberately double-crossed by the Russians, and they have every reason to doubt the good faith of Kadar, who is a confessed Soviet stooge.

Notably Kadar, in expressing willingness to accede to the present demands, makes two reservations. One is that whatever the outcome of the promised free elections, Hungary must continue to follow the path of Socialism. The other, withdrawal of Soviet troops must be negotiated, and such negotiations are dependent on the return to normal life in the country.

These are significant reservations, indicating that Russia is prepared only slightly to relax her grip on Hungary. She is perhaps, willing to permit a facade of democracy to be erected in the country, but will not tolerate any national expression of it, should it take the form of deviation from the Soviet concept of Socialism. It is this which robs Kadar's concessions of their reality.

NASSER VANDALS WRECK CANAL WORKSHOPS

From MONTAGUE LACEY

London, Nov. 15. Nasser's saboteurs have wreaked vengeance on the Suez Canal Company property causing damage running into millions of pounds.

They have completely wrecked the Company's workshops and machine

tool plant at Port Fuad, east of Port Said.

"There is nothing left in the machine shop that's of any value," a Company official said today.

"Not one machine tool has been left in working order. They have been wilfully destroyed by acetylene burners." After French troops had occupied the factory, Suez

Canal officials inspected the plant and their report has just reached London. The Port Fuad plant was the maintenance and repair works for the whole of the 101-mile long Canal. It included two big power stations.

The bulk of the Company property was concentrated at Port Said, but from there to Suez about 500 various types of vessels were in operation, among them a new 21,000-ton dredger, an 841-ton tug, one

DAMAGE RUNS TO MILLIONS

of the most powerful in the world, a 700-ton pilot ship and a 5,000-ton floating dock. Some of the Company's 200 lighters, ranging from 40 to 200 tons, are believed to be among the ships sunk by the Egyptians to block the Canal. A French report from Port Said said Suez Canal

clearance work already undertaken by Franco-British salvage crews, had sufficiently cleared the entrance to Port Said to allow the passage of small ships with a three and a half metre draft. And at the headquarters of Admiral Champion, in charge of allied salvage operations, it was estimated tonight that a 60-metre channel, permitting the passage of medium-sized ships could be cleared in two to three weeks time. An 80-ton floating crane

is being used for the operation. British frogmen are working to stop up the rents in the big dredger which the Egyptians used to block Port Said before the Allied landing. The use of dynamite has been ruled out as it is considered it would endanger the structure of the Canal. The Allied salvage teams are faced with the task of clearing sunken vessels varying from tugs to dredgers, pilot boats and a frigate. Some were sabotaged by the

Egyptians with dynamite, and present serious difficulties. Others merely had their valves removed and it will be comparatively easy to refloat them. Considerable damage has been done to the Suez Canal Company repair shops at Ismailia, Suez as well as at Port Said, and towing has cleared the company's supply stores containing several years' stocks. London Express Service and France-Press.

BRITAIN, FRANCE AND ISRAEL TOLD: COMPENSATE EGYPT NEW BULGANIN MESSAGE

But No More Threats

Moscow, Nov. 15.

The Soviet Prime Minister, Marshal Bulganin, assured Britain and France tonight that Russia wanted to eliminate war danger in the Middle East, and emphatically denied it was pursuing any "special interests" of its own in that region.

With a marked change of tone from last week, a new message from Marshal Bulganin to the British and French Premiers appealed for the current dispute to be tackled by international commissions.

Another note to the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion, also showed a more conciliatory attitude, in the opinion of observers here. But he proposed that Britain, France and Israel pay compensation to Egypt for damage caused by the Suez and Sinai invasions.

He also said United Nations forces must not be stationed in the Suez Canal zone. But he did not oppose the entry of these forces into Egypt.

Common Aim

Marshal Bulganin laid the British and French Premiers flat, at the present moment, for common aim is not to fan the conflict but to seek a way to eliminate the danger to peace.

The Soviet Premier spoke of reports that withdrawal of British, French and Israeli forces from Egypt was being delayed and even that armed forces were being concentrated in the area.

"We hope that on your side no steps will be taken which

could be assessed as preparation for new military operations against Egypt," Marshal Bulganin said.

In notes to Sir Anthony Eden and Mr. Guy Mollet which were almost identical, the Soviet Prime Minister said, that Britain and France through loss of Middle East oil, by loss of prestige and by heavy military expenditure had emerged from the fighting in the Suez Canal very much poorer.

Strong Contrast

Marshal Bulganin's mildness of tone contrasted strongly with the November 5 message which contained such passages as "we are fully determined to crush aggression by the use of force."

This gave way today to such characteristic expressions as "the Soviet Government believes that for peace to be achieved in the Near East it is primarily necessary for Britain, France and Israel to withdraw their troops from Egyptian territory."

Marshal Bulganin's message added that the Soviet Government, in view of Egypt's acceptance, had no objection to United Nations troops entering Egypt, although these must not be situated in the Canal Zone. This would contravene the 1888 Convention.

The Soviet Government, he said, considered it necessary "to create a suitable international commission with the participation of Egypt to examine and speedily satisfy Egypt's legitimate claims for losses inflicted by the military activities of England, France and Israel."

Two Reasons

The Bulganin messages to the three states showed a sudden drop of temperature in the Kremlin which may come from two main sources, according to observers. One is a feeling of growing confidence that the situation in Hungary is now reaching a point of stabilisation—the first Bulganin message was sent at a time when the revolt in Hungary was nearing its peak.

The second possibility is that the Soviet Union has been listening to such powerful neutralist voices as India and Burma against the use of force in Hungary and anywhere in the world and has become aware that Soviet talk of volunteers going to the Middle East was destroying the efforts of nearly two years to bring about an atmosphere of "peaceful co-existence."

Today the Soviet Government went to unusual lengths in broadcasting the replies of Sir Anthony Eden, Mr. Mollet and Mr. Ben Gurion to the original Bulganin message.

This was the first opportunity Soviet listeners had had to hear the statement of their own and Sir Anthony Eden's attack on Soviet intervention in Hungary. —Reuter.

Stop Deportations Plea In U.N.

New York, Nov. 15.

Cuba today urged the United Nations General Assembly to call on the Soviet Union to stop immediately the transshipment of political prisoners from Hungary and to demand the return of those who have already been deported.

The Cuban delegate's resolution would also have the Assembly brand the Soviet

Union's deportation programme in Hungary as a violation of the Genocide (race murder) convention. It was not immediately known whether the Assembly would take up the resolution at once under the emergency rule which entitles it to suspend all other business to deal with developments in Hungary or the Middle East. —Reuter.

But Budapest Reports Say:

'SLAVE TRAINS' CONTINUE

Vienna, Nov. 15.

Soviet "slave trains" are still carrying thousands of young Hungarians to Russia despite official Communist promises that mass deportations would cease, reports from Budapest said today.

Assurances that no more "freedom fighters" would be shipped to Russia were part of the appeasement "package" Soviet-supported Premier Janos Kadar offered to rebellious Hungarian workers today in an effort to halt the general strike in that country.

The General Workers Council of Greater Budapest, principal spokesman for the strikers, declared at a meeting today that Kadar's offers were "unsatisfactory."

All Searched

Soviet troops and tanks surrounded the building in Budapest where the Workers Council met today. All persons in the building were searched and held under guard.

The Russians withdrew and allowed the meeting to proceed after a Council leader complained to Kadar.

The Hungarians being deported to Russia are almost all young men, and it appeared likely that they are wanted for work in Soviet slave labour camps.

Student leaders who spoke at today's Council meeting said the Russians were arresting every young Hungarian they found on the streets after the 8 p.m. curfew. Older persons were questioned but usually not held.

"On Way To Russia" The students brought with them a note, thrown out of a sealed train at Cepel, listing the names of 23 people out of 1,500 reported on board the train.

In Your Saturday Mail

A big spread of topline features appears in the family favourite week-end newspaper—the Saturday Mail.

- ★ Rhonda Churchill begins a new weekly series in which she tries to find out what is in store for her son and how best she can prepare him for it.
- ★ The Johnnie Johnson story—part 2—how Dad got shot down.
- ★ Ernest Hemingway is writing a book he thinks might be "the masterpiece."
- ★ Yorkie Henderson writes on the British public's support for Eden over the Middle East crisis.

There are all your regular favourites as well including Jane Roberts' film reviews, picture pages, puzzles, cartoons—all in the China Mail.

SELWYN LLOYD ALLEGES:

Huge Soviet Arms Deal With Cairo

New York, Nov. 15.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, today said Soviet Russia had sold between \$400 million and \$500 million worth of arms to Egypt and another \$50 million worth to Syria.

Asked on a TV programme to what extent the Soviet Union had infiltrated the Middle East with technicians, arms or munitions, Mr. Lloyd said: "They've sold, I think, between four and five hundred million dollars worth of arms to Egypt—bombers, MIGs, medium and heavy tanks, self-propelled guns, armoured personnel carriers."

RED AGENTS

"They've sold fifty million dollars worth of arms to Syria. With the arms to Egypt went a thousand technicians and instructors. We all know what their role will be. "And the fact of the matter is, as I believe it, Communism has penetrated deeply into Egypt, and whether the present rulers of Egypt want it or not, I think they have become in fact the agents of Communism."

Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, expressed hope that the United States would be as "robust" in reacting if Russian volunteers went to Egypt as it was when it dealt with Chinese volunteers (in Korea).

He was commenting on President Eisenhower's press conference statement yesterday that the United States would support any United Nations action in the event of Soviet military intervention in the Middle East.

ACT OF POLICY

Mr. Lloyd said that people in the Soviet Union did not just volunteer. "They do what they're told, and therefore if people come described as volunteers, in fact it will be a deliberate act of policy by the Soviet Union," he said. —Reuter.

TORIES DROP VOTES

Chester, Nov. 16.

Sir Anthony Eden's Government retained a parliamentary seat here today in the first test of electoral reaction to the Government's armed intervention in Egypt.

But in a three-candidate fight, the Government party shared a considerably smaller share of the total votes than at the general election eighteen months ago.

Result of yesterday's polling, declared today, was: Mr. John M. Temple (conservative) 21,137; Mr. E. Charles Jones (Labour) 14,789; Mr. J. D. S. Llewellyn (Liberal) 4,912.

The figures in the 1955 election were—Conservatives 24,805; Labour 13,903; Liberal 5,146. Conservative majority 11,002.

In the present contest the Conservative share of the total poll dropped five per cent from 58.2 to 51.7.

The Labour share of the total vote rose by 4½ per cent from 31.0 to 36.1 per cent. —Reuter.

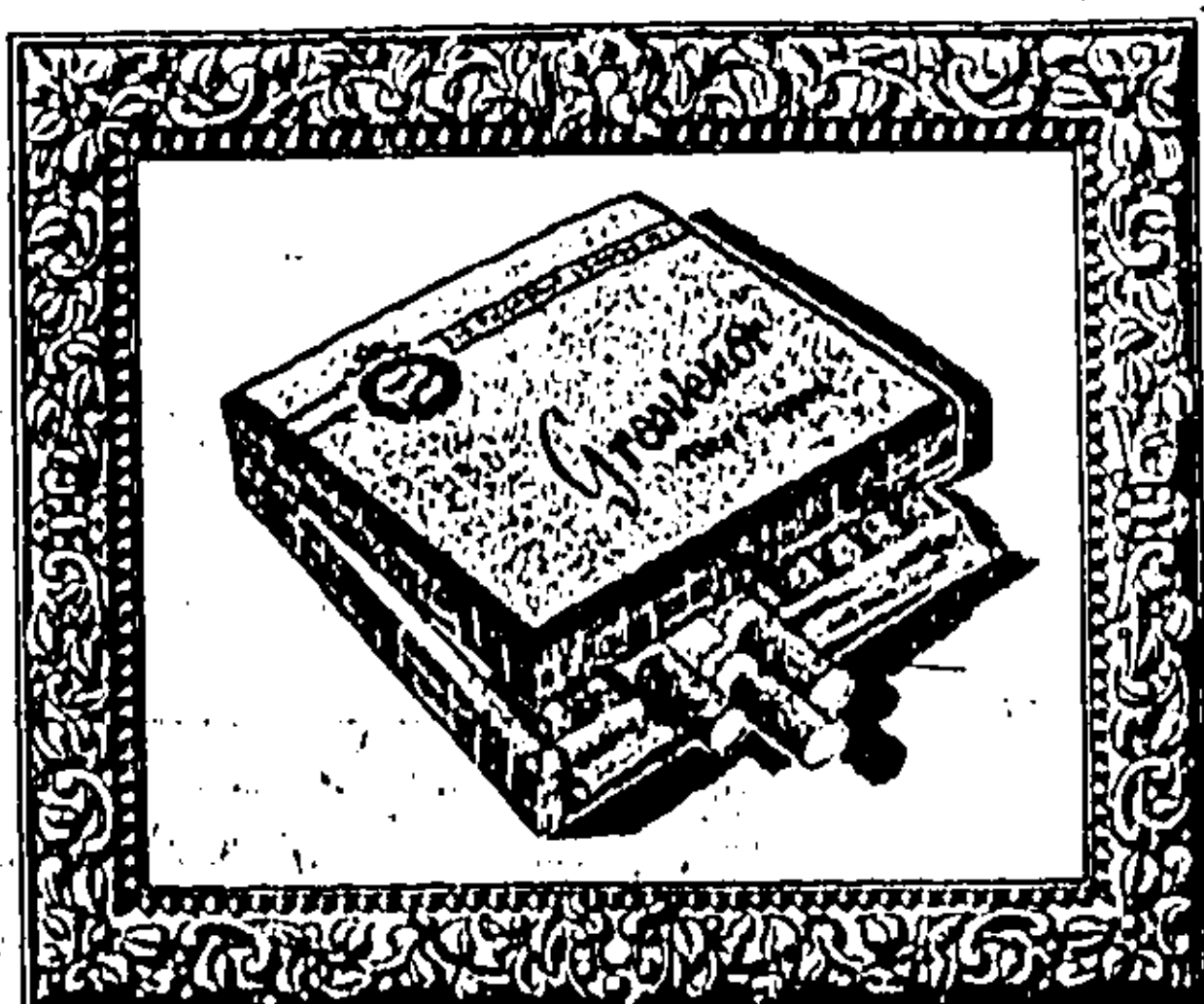
Briton Killed

Nicosia, Nov. 15.

Another British civilian was killed tonight when an electrically detonated bomb exploded under the car he was driving at Limasol.

His wife, sitting next to him and a British soldier in another car were reported injured by the explosion. —France-Press.

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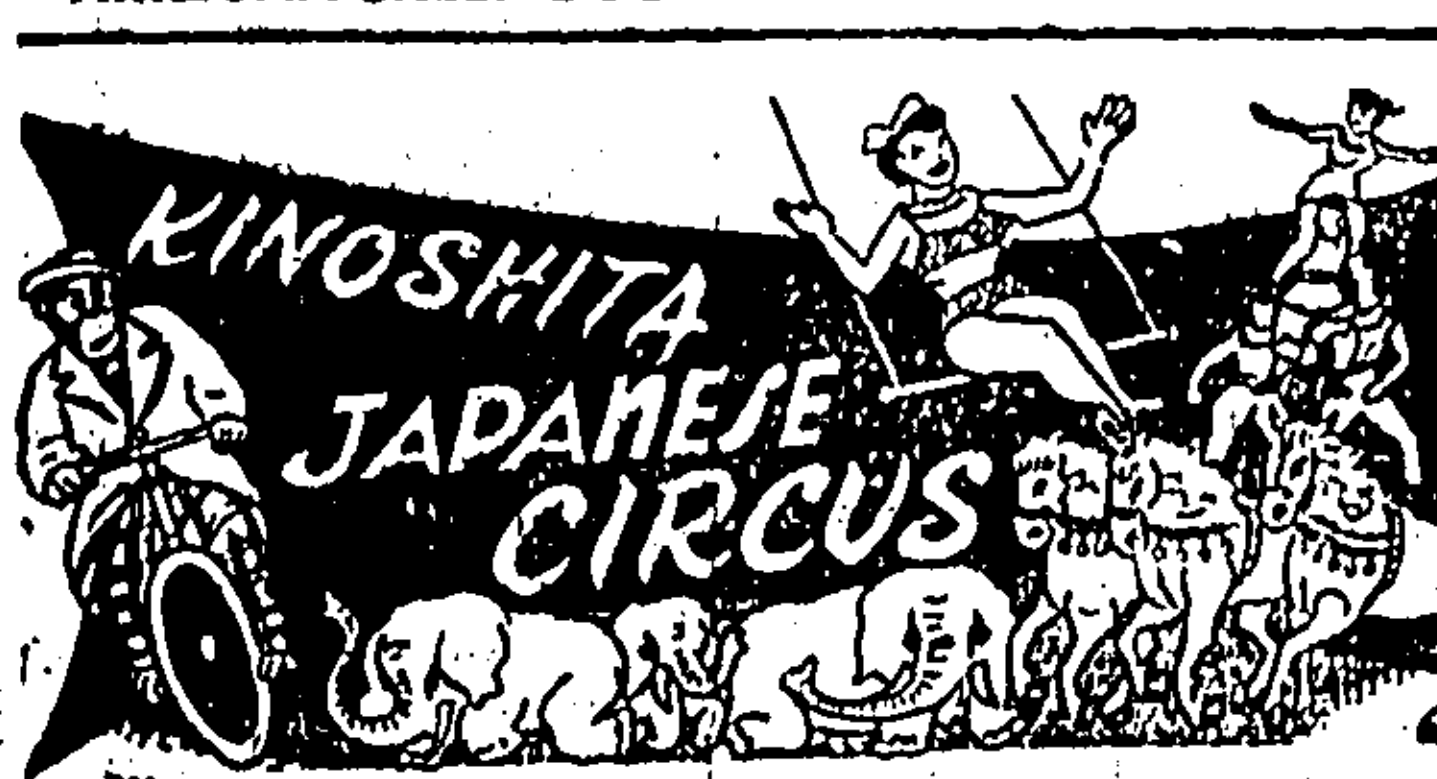
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NEHRU'S VIEW OF SOVIET ACTION IN HUNGARY

Professes Alarm Over Egypt

New Delhi, Nov. 15.

India's Premier, Jawaharlal Nehru, today told a closed meeting of the Congress Party parliamentary group that it was by acting quickly that the Soviet Union prevented the situation in Hungary from worsening, informed sources said today.

Nehru made a lengthy analysis of the Hungarian and Egyptian questions tonight before the Congress Party group after reviewing the development of events in Hungary. He stated that the Soviet Union had acted because the Hungarian Government's weakness was such that it could no longer keep order, the sources said.

Still Alarming

For this reason, India was opposed to elections under United Nations supervision, since this would constitute collective foreign intervention, he said.

Nehru said that in Egypt, the situation was still alarming because the British and French were consolidating their armed forces in the region, the sources said.

He added that by undertaking its action against Egypt, Britain had taken a dangerous gamble which could have serious consequences. He stated that India had information that military preparation had been going on for three months.—France-Press.

RUSSIAN MISSION IN BURMA

Rangoon, Nov. 15.

A twelve-man Soviet economic mission arrived here by air today at the invitation of the Burmese Government.

The mission, led by Mr. P. A. Malein, deputy chief of the Soviet main Department of Economic Relations, is divided into two groups.

The first group will discuss with Burmese officials development projects in agriculture, industrialisation and mining while the second group, made up of building specialists, will look into construction of a technological institute, an industrial exhibition hall, sports stadium, national theatre and a hospital.

The mission, as a whole, will stay in Burma for about a fortnight but some members are expected to stay longer if their services are so required.—Reuters.

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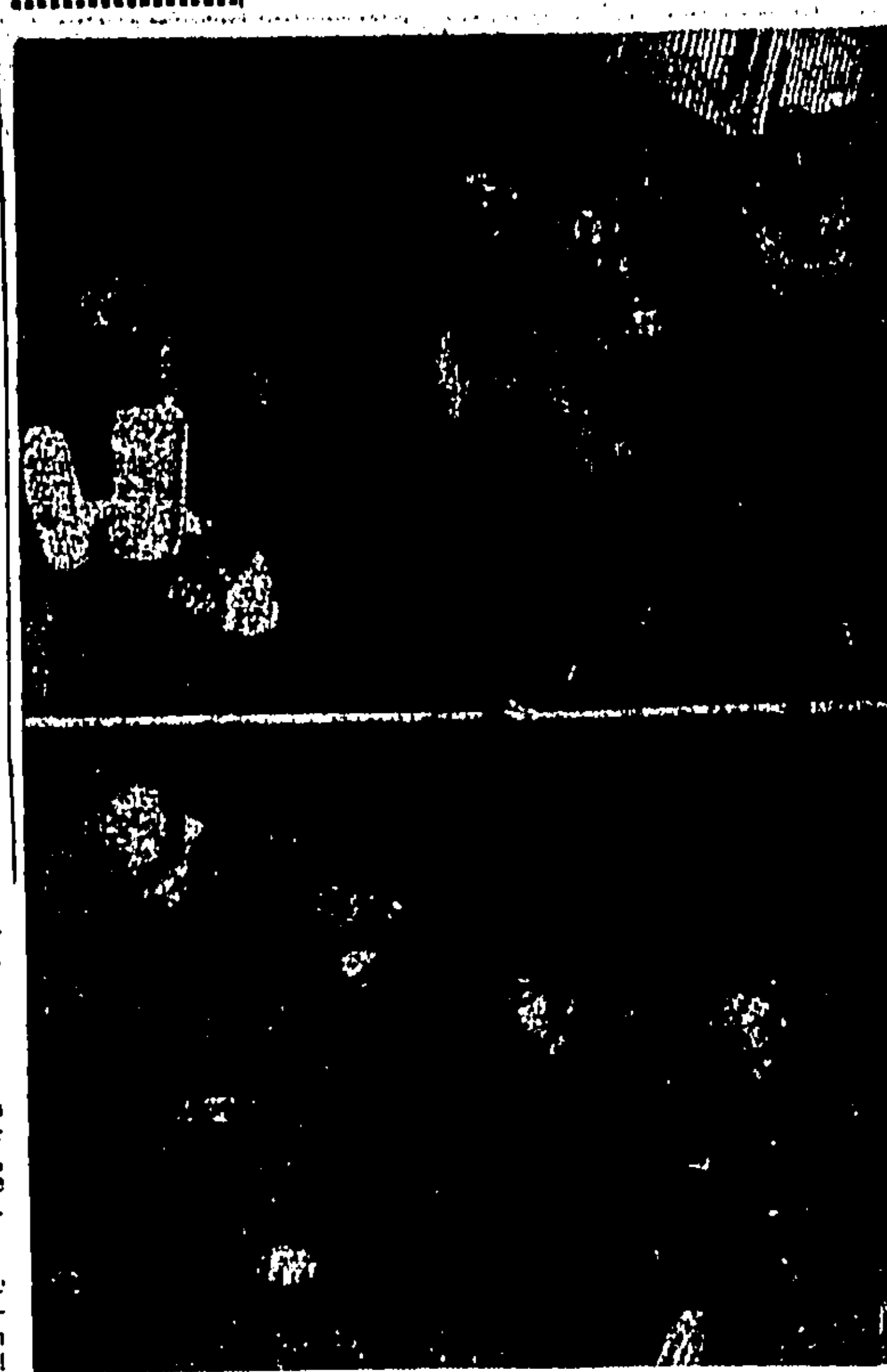


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First UN Police In Naples



The first contingent of the United Nations police force for the Suez area arrived in Naples last weekend, before flying on to the Middle East. Picture top shows the Norwegians arriving; picture bottom shows the arrival of the Danes.—Express Photo.

Reason For Russian Troop Movements

Warsaw, Nov. 15.

Polish sources in Warsaw tonight considered that recent Soviet troop movements in Poland and on the Polish borders were ordered because of the general international tension and not because of the domestic situation in Poland.

Foreign press reports have frequently spoken recently of Soviet troop movements in Poland in the Soviet border territories and in East Germany despite the vague character of these reports and the lack of official information, it appeared here that:

1. Normal troop movements were continuing between the Soviet Union and East Germany.
2. Three weeks ago, from 12 to 14 Soviet divisions were massed in the Brest-Litovsk region of Soviet Russia near the Polish border, but had not been engaged in any special manoeuvres.
3. Soviet reinforcements were apparently sent to the East German garrison, but the situation there has not developed since the movement about two weeks ago.

Informed Polish sources insisted tonight that they were convinced of the Soviet Union's peaceful intentions towards Poland. Besides, they stressed that the perfect cohesion of the Polish army and its unconditional loyalty to the present Warsaw Government provided an extra guarantee against the possibility of a coup de force against Poland.—France-Press.

Lucky Escape

Las Vegas, Nov. 15.
A twin engine, Trans-World Airlines with 89 passengers and crewmen aboard made a "miracle" emergency belly landing on one engine today in the desert.

There were three serious injuries and 27 with bumps and bruises. The plane did not catch fire.—United Press.

US-CHINA MEETING

Geneva, Nov. 15.
The first meeting in the series of talks at ambassadorial level between the United States and China was held today.

After the meeting, which lasted one hour and 50 minutes, it was announced that the next one would be held on November 20.

The delegates are Mr. U. Alexis Johnson, United States Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, and Mr. Wang Ping-nan, Chinese Ambassador to Poland.

The talks, which began on August 1, 1956, cover the return of civilians of both sides, reduction of forces in the Formosa area, and other matters at issue including trade and cultural relations.—Reuters.

FRENCH INFLECT HEAVY LOSSES ON REBELS

Algiers, Nov. 15.

French forces, including Foreign Legion troops, inflicted heavy losses on six rebel bands in clashes over the past 48 hours, while rebels sabotaged three trains and continued urban terrorist activities, it was announced today.

The most serious rail crash occurred last night, when rebels derailed a 20-car oil train between Le Hamma and Bladi, north of Constantine, on the Philippeville line.

Explosions heard all the way to Constantine, occurred after eight of the cars plunged into a ravine and thousands of gallons of flaming petrol spread into the adjoining fields. Firemen from Constantine fought all night before finally putting out the fire.

Struck Mine

A goods train was derailed after it struck a mine north of Djelfa this morning, while a second six-wagon goods train ran off the tracks near Mollot after rebels had removed a section of the line.

French forces meanwhile struck hard at rebel bands installed some five miles below Palestro, and in the Oran and Constantine regions.

Helicopter-borne French troops surrounded a 70-man rebel unit near Bou-Landour, in the Oran region, after the rebels clashed with a regiment of the Foreign Legion.

In the mountainous Constantine region alone, French troops clashed with three rebel groups northeast of Giarum, west of Robert and east of Toudja.

Assassination

French military sources said that rebel losses were heavy, and that a large quantity of supplies, including weapons, had been captured.

Terrorist activities were reported in several centres, including Chabet el Ameur, where the son of a European official was assassinated.—France-Press.

BEVAN'S PLAN FOR EUROPE

London, Nov. 15.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan, Treasurer of the British Labour Party, suggested today that the West should exchange the neutralisation of a reunified Germany for the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Eastern Europe.

Bevan, leader of the Labour Party's left-wing, said in an article published in the newspaper Tribune that negotiations between the USSR and the West should be opened to make this exchange.

The Labour Party leader indicated that Hungary and other East European countries were part of a "cordon sanitaire" which Stalin had built up to protect the Soviet Union from the West.

REDUCED VALUE

However, "the invention of rockets, atom bombs and the strategic bomber have reduced the value of the cordon sanitaire almost to vanishing point in the eyes of many Russian military leaders," Bevan said.

He concluded: "It is time to write a new chapter in our relations with Russia and Europe. I believe that in this way we can best help heroic Hungary and at the same time help ourselves."—France-Press.

Colombo Talks

Burma Hopes Pakistan Will Agree

Calcutta, Nov. 15.

The Burmese Prime Minister, U Ba Swo, said here today that he hoped Pakistan would approve the four-power (India, Burma, Ceylon, Indonesia) statement issued yesterday on the international situation, despite her "contradictory" approach to current crises.

The joint statement, signed by the four Prime Ministers yesterday after their three-day meeting in New Delhi, called for the speedy withdrawal of foreign forces from Egypt and Hungary.

U Ba Swo added that Dr. All Bhasmasiddhi, the Indonesian Premier, was now in Karachi at the invitation of Pakistan to persuade the Pakistani Prime Minister, Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy, to endorse the decisions of the other four Colombo Powers.—Reuters.

Suhrawardy Invited To Indonesia

Karachi, Nov. 15.

Pakistan Premier, H. S. Suhrawardy tonight accepted an invitation to visit Indonesia made by the Indonesian Premier, All Bhasmasiddhi.

A joint communiqué issued by the two premiers at the conclusion of their talks said they had discussed matters of mutual interest and agreed on ways of bringing more closely together the policies of their two countries.—France-Press.

Japs Confirm Origin Of Mystery Cloud

Tokyo, Nov. 15.

The Japanese National Observatory today confirmed reports appearing in the British Meteorological Magazine that a mysterious cloud which hovered the whole of Southwestern England on April 8 had originated in Kamchatka, Soviet Russia.

An observatory spokesman today said the cloud, 12 miles high and some 50 miles wide had been formed from dust and ashes thrown into the air during a violent eruption of the Kamchatka volcano at Zymnaya Sopka last March 20.

SITE OF ERUPTION

The spokesman said more than 15 Japanese observatories throughout the country had recorded the volcano's eruption, although at first it had been believed that the Soviet Union may have been testing a nuclear weapon.

The spokesman said constant observations confirmed that the cloud had been formed from volcanic dust and a check on all observatory data has placed the site of the eruption in Kamchatka.

The cloud had moved very swiftly on a westward course at above 42 miles per hour, the spokesman said.—Reuters.

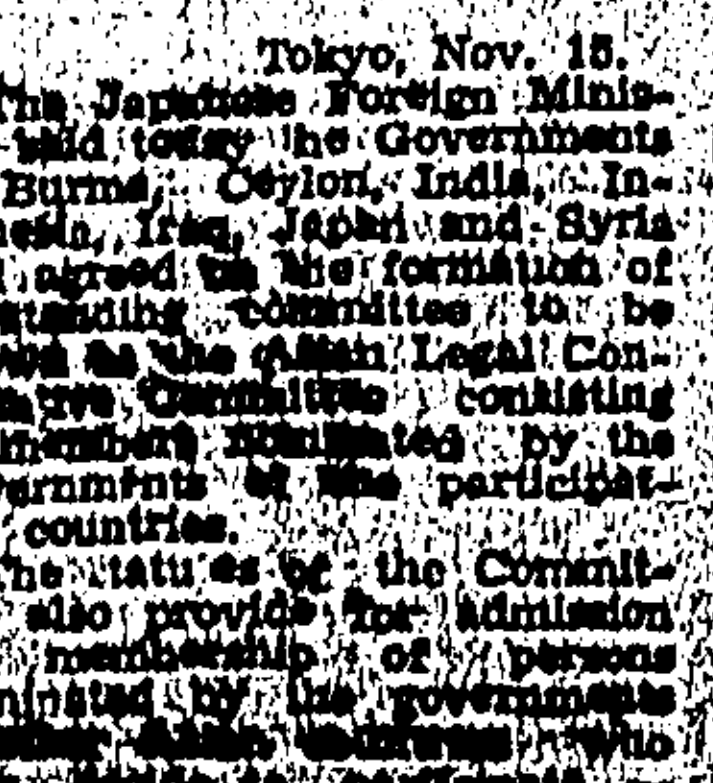
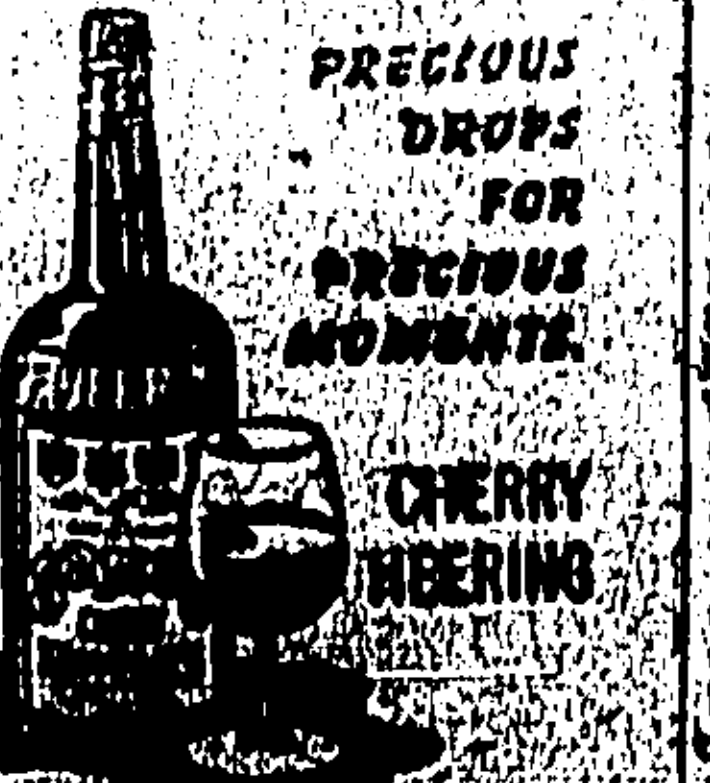
Asian Legal Committee Formed

Tokyo, Nov. 15.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry today said the Governments of Burma, Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan and Syria had agreed on the formation of a standing committee to be known as the Asian Legal Committee. The committee would be composed of representatives of the governments of the participating countries.

The status of the Committee also provides for admission to membership of persons nominated by the governments of the participating countries who may desire to participate in its work.—Reuters.

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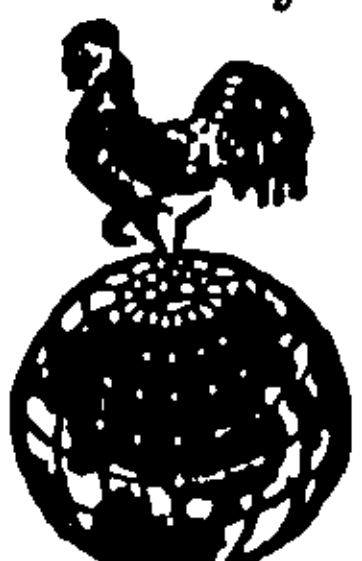
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after parachuting into France.

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being condemned to death, as
the Allied armies advanced.



IT was on an inappropriate day — April 1, 1918 — that the Royal Naval Air Service and the Royal Flying Corps were amalgamated to become the Royal Air Service.

One of the least distinguished products of the April-Fool union was Number 138 Squadron. This formation came into being a mere six weeks before the Armistice and was disbanded the following year, on February 1, without ever having taken to the air. A brief, inglorious existence.

In the last war the Squadron was again a slow starter. It was not until September, until nearly two years of hostilities had passed, but when it did at last go into action, it established a reputation for itself that spread like a flame in the lands and languages of all occupied Europe.

Churchill's order

FOR 138 was the first of the Moon Squadrons. "Set Europe ablaze!" Churchill had ordered. The kindling wood was laid with the creation of SOE, the cloak-and-dagger organisation which was to transform so many peaceful citizens and amateur soldiers into professional spies, saboteurs and subverters. These were the young sparks (in more senses than one) who eventually ignited the beacon of freedom in enemy-ruled territory.

But first, of course, they had to be conveyed to the scene of the potential conflagration. It was the Moon Squadrons that provided the means. The achievement of this secret Carter Paterson of the air is best shown by the balance sheet for the period 1942-45. During those four years Number 138 Squadron alone flew 2,562 sorties, dropping 995 agents, 29,000 containers and 10,000 packages for the loss of exactly 70 aircraft.

These figures are revealed for the first time in a story that has hitherto been heavily censored. But the Moon Squadrons' total contribution to the war effort cannot be assessed merely in terms of material and manpower; the psychological value of their clandestine missions must also be taken into account.

When I say that this value was immense, I am only speaking for myself. But I don't suppose I was the only person in occupied Europe to feel a surge of pride, of courage and gratitude, each time the moonlit shadow of the long-winged aircraft swept like a symbol of inexhaustible resource across the ravaged wilderness of the dropping zone.

Not every drop was successful—parachutes would sometimes fail to open or else be carried away by the wind, the precious containers landing on some inaccessible crag or, as I once saw happen, straight through the roof of a German billet—but every one was a visible reminder that we were not forgotten.

The aircrews engaged on these operations were wont to refer to their task as "a piece of cake." "All we did," they would say, "was to drop the real chaps."

RETURN TO SUEZ:

NO "SOFTENING UP" FOR "RED DEVILS"

By GEORGE HOGAN

BRITAIN'S crack paratroopers, the first Allied servicemen to set foot on Egyptian soil when they "dropped" on and captured the airfield at Port Said, were once described by Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery as the "corps d'élite of the infantry." The 16th Independent Parachute Brigade, led by Brigadier Mervyn (Tubby) Butler, have proved once again that the "Red Berets" or "Red Devils", as they are known, are made of the same stern stuff as those predecessors who earned Monty's praise.

NONCHALANT

At Port Said they went in without the customary "softening up" by bombing any airfield that came to be considered an essential preliminary to airborne landings. In World War II, that they succeeded in their task as nobly and nonchalantly as those earlier, war-torn veterans reflects great credit on the present-day training and the gallant examples of the men who served before

them in the few years since the Regiment was formed.

For the "Red Devils" have no long history, nor traditions of family service, to urge them on. Formed only in 1940, as the Parachute Regiment, they were recruited only by volunteers transferred from other regiments. Out of every 100 such volunteers only about 100 make the grade after about a fortnight's preliminary training.

They go on to full parachute training at the Primary Training School at Abingdon, Berkshire, and eventually take part in eight jumps. Only then are they considered qualified paratroopers and are posted to the Brigade for an initial three years' tour.

In 1953 the Parachute Regiment rejoined to be granted full regular status and allowed to recruit and train a number of volunteers direct from civilian life. Those found unsuitable are given a choice of transfer to other units or discharge.

NCOs and men whose jumping days are over may now remain with the Regiment in other employment. If they wish, instead of being returned to their original unit, with the possible loss of rank and pay,

They were prepared to believe that any danger they had to face was as child's play compared with the hazards confronted by their anonymous passengers who quietly launched themselves in mid-flight into a hostile sky. They were the unglamorous carriers; the bus drivers; the chauffeurs.

Humility

IF that is really how they saw themselves, then their vision must have been distorted by the humility that almost invariably accompanies genuine courage. At any rate, the story of the Moon Squadrons gives a very different picture of them. They may still prefer to regard themselves as light-hearted fly-by-nights; and so, in a sense, they were. But those who depended on them, as I did, are likely to view them with more romantic eyes as the Scarlet Pimpernel of the Twentieth Century.

EVE PERRICK'S

GUIDE TO THE BEST TALKERS

London. It was five years ago that Mr Somerset Maugham decided to spend part of the winter in London, at the risk of his health but for the sake, so he said, of "having some good conversation."

At that time and at my request he nominated his top talkers as Lady Pamela Berry, Lady Diana Cooper, Lady Moore, Lord Beaverbrook, Lord Woolton, Sir Winston Churchill, and Mr (now Lord) Hore-Belisha.

I, in my turn, recommended Lord Justice Asquith, Lord Salisbury, Mr Robert Boothby, Mr Maurice Edelman, and, inevitably, Mr Peter Ustinov. Since then 82-year-old Mr Maugham has been more or less resting on his laurels so far as his work is concerned.

No time to test

BUT his perennial pursuit of the well-spoken word goes on. In fact, on this visit to London he has been to so many parties, listened to so much bright chat-

ter, that he is suffering from a bout of fatigue.

Still, I checked with him to find out if he had met any new good talkers lately, additional to his original selection.

I was informed that the old team was still going strong over the highest-topped dinner-tables in the land: that perhaps Sir Winston was not talking quite so much these days; that Sir Gerald Kelly, a more recent acquaintance, talked too much; that writer Angus Wilson was the most promising conversationalist among the newcomers, although Mr Maugham had not yet had time to test for sound the professional Angry Young Men (Osborne, Wilson, Hastings—I hope there aren't any more), and what was new with me?

I gave an unsolicited testimonial on behalf of actor Jack Lemmon as an amusing and well-informed man on the subject of the American theatre; novelist Herman Wouk, for his account of life as a g-writer to Fred Allen, pleased to call on London's latest salon-keeper, Mrs Fleur Cowles Meyer, for her list and report back.

Top-of-class

SO over to Mrs Meyer, the one-time journalist and magazine editor and all-time expert at organisation.

In her theatrically-pretty flat at Albany she has become more than a hostess with the m. (which could stand for money). The title the BBC use for one of their department heads, Director of the Spoken Word, is the more fitting description.

She prefaced her choice of top-of-class conversationalists with some of her own well-chosen words on the subject:—

"You must never confuse conversation with oratory. To converse is not to declaim."

"I find that the best talk tends to come out of the theatre, but members of the press are always good because they tell you what you're going to read in tomorrow's paper."

"Most of all, I like having young colleagues around. They know more than anyone else about what is new, and they speak sharply, freely, and audaciously."

With which she named names and gave her reasons.

Dr Roberto Arias, the Panamanian Ambassador: "Don't dismiss him simply as Margot Fonteyn's husband. He's a brilliant talker, an excellent journalist who uses a superb opening and a perfect ending to all his stories."

Spellbound

ALFRED HITCHCOCK "kept us spellbound about his casting problems in darkest Africa, where he's making a film, and has to find some way

of controlling thousands of Africans who speak no known tongue."

Sir Arthur Bryant "has the eloquence of the superb historian. But he'll also spend hours arguing about the way books should be arranged on a shelf."

Dr Archibald McIndoe "combines the qualities of the wide open spaces of the Dominions with the intricate delicacy of an operating table."

"I love to hear him range from tales of Killmanjaro to the difficulties of Rhodes Scholars who return to New Zealand."

John Foster Dulles "uses my drawing-room like a forum. You can almost see him wearing a toga."

Not sparkling

I INTERRUPTED here. I had a good story about John Foster and was determined to relate it even to one of his friends. "Have you heard about Eisenhower shouting across the room to Dulles, 'Don't just say something—stand there?'"

Mrs Meyer laughed appreciatively, contributed a final name to her roster of raconteurs: "And, of course, there's always Peter Ustinov."

Poor Mr Ustinov, however, is a little tired of his inescapable reputation as a wit, a wag, and a wisecracker.

Quoth he: "I'm getting too fat for sophistication. Can't you think of somebody else?" The name I thought of was Peter Jones, sometimes known as the poor man's Ustinov since he was associated with Peter I in a series of radio skits.

I had listened to him on the radio, seen him on the stage being brilliant in an excellent but unsuccessful play called "Morning's At Seven."

But Mr Jones was not exactly in a sparkling mood when I met him. He, in involved in the Yana Show on television—which should not happen to your worst enemy, let alone Mr Ustinov's best friend. He had just come from rehearsals and looked suitably sad.

"Oh, please, don't you start, too," he cried, when I told him I was seeking a man of suave sophistication to qualify for the Maugham-Meyer-and-MY accolade as a talker. "They decided at the studio that I've got to be suave and sophisticated—their very words—to fit in with the character of the show."

Macabre

IT was my turn to laugh. (I saw the show last week.) Sensing sympathy, he went on to tell about his terrible times at Lime Grove. What he said was entertaining enough if your sense of humour is of the macabre type (mine is).

But, recorded here, it wouldn't do much for his future career as a TV personality—they're inclined to be ultra-sensitive down at Shepherd's Bush—and Mr Jones is a man I would like to see on my home screen from time to time.

So let's leave Mr Jones's claim to fame as being possibly the only man who is trying to work his way up from straight acting in a T. S. Elliot play, which he has done, to appearing as a variety act on the music-halls, which is what he wants to do.

His chances as a vaudeville star in these days, I fear, are somewhat slender. He is also possibly the only man named Jones who can't sing.

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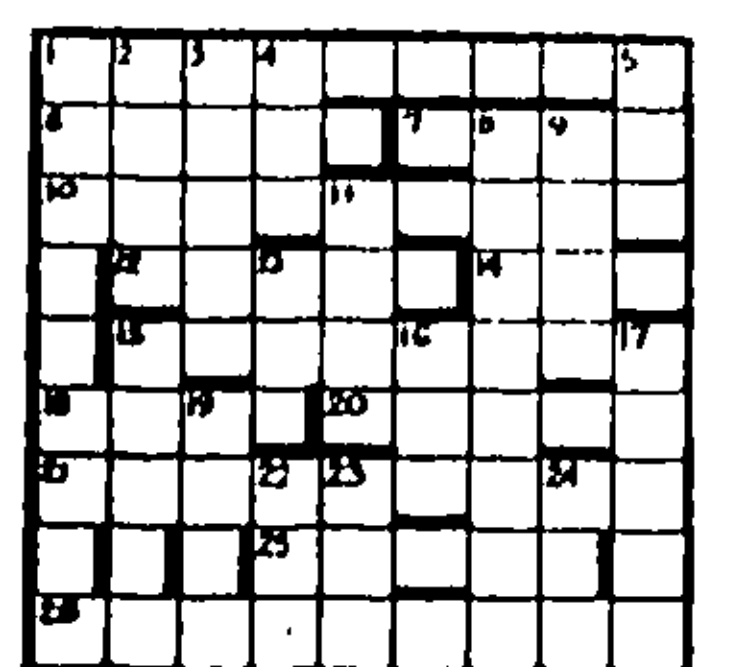
This Funny World

BY THE WAY
by Beachcomber

PROFESSOR OTTO DIEST, challenges my recent statement about the cubic content of the breath of mice in relation to cleaner air.

He quotes, with incident, relevance, and a running commentary, the following: "The breath of mice is cubic content of the breath of mice in relation to cleaner air."

CROSSWORD



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YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

BORN today, you are definitely a reformer at heart. You have the good of all on your mind and you want everyone to enjoy equal benefits in life. You are not a theoretical "do-gooder" but one who goes about it in a thorough, scientific and practical fashion. You are original in your approach to problems. You can speak well in public and hence can present your ideas to the public. You have a good sense of business and you will be able to make plenty of money during your lifetime. You will utilize any money that you make beyond that necessary for your needs, in helping out some worthy cause.

You are honest and straightforward and are inclined to be less frank than you should be, for you dislike hurting anyone's feelings and will evade being too critical to avoid hurting anyone. You are a great reader and will probably want a large library of your own. You have musical and artistic

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Make new contacts which will hold importance for you in the future. Work in harmony with those at home or the office.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Take the initiative on the job and you will find that it pays excellent dividends. Let the boss know how much you are!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Take the lead in your organization and you will find that it pays excellent dividends. Let the boss know how much you are!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Treat your property as if it were a person. It will be a person and you will find that it pays excellent dividends. Let the boss know how much you are!

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Employment aspects are excellent. You will find that it pays excellent dividends. Let the boss know how much you are!

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—You should bring your own success in the future. You will find that it pays excellent dividends. Let the boss know how much you are!

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Suit Established On First Round

By OSWALD JACOBY

WOULD you take the first trick if you held the East cards? You must resist this temptation if you want to defeat the contract.

East should play the ten of hearts at the first trick, allowing South to win with the Jack. Since West has led his highest heart, it is clear that South has J-9-8-7 and cannot be prevented from winning a heart trick.

South has only eight tricks in top cards and must try to develop an extra trick in diamonds. West carefully plays the queen of diamonds when that suit is begun, and is able to win the second round of diamonds with the king.

West now leads his other heart and East defends the contract by taking four heart tricks. The point is that East must give up a heart at the first trick, thus keeping communications open with his partner's hand.

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WOMANSENSE



Here's something new in feminine swimsuit and pyjama fashions from the USA! Left is an Egyptian-style swimsuit, which features an Egyptian bracelet neckline; pictured centre are "baby doll" pyjamas, the shorts top of which has diamante buttons and a deep frill at the hem; on right is a Swedish print nightgown, with red-ribbed accents, hug-me-tight cuffs and collar. — Express Photo.

Meet A UN Star Who Is Heard But Not Seen

THE VOICE BEHIND THE DIPLOMATS

United Nations, N.Y. JEANNETTE Streit, Rohatyn is one of the heard but not seen stars of the United Nations these days.

Millions following the meetings of the world organization during the current debate on the Middle East and Hungarian crises recognise her husky voice but not her face. Jeannette, a pretty blue-eyed blonde, is one of a staff of 60 language experts whose job is simultaneous interpretation of speeches in all sessions of the United Nations.

Jeannette, daughter of writer Clarence Streit, translates into English the talks given in French or Spanish, two of the five official languages at the many-language UN. The others are Russian, Chinese and English. By UN rule, a speaker must use one of the five.

If you tuned in radio or television coverage of the emergency session of the General Assembly recently when the UN voted for a ceasefire in the Middle East, you heard Jeannette's voice behind the voices of the diplomats until the small hours of the morning.

That session started Jeannette and associates on one of the most demanding schedules they can remember. Hours have become uncertain, depending on meeting schedules which often are changed at the last minute. Hours run long, several sessions have lasted until near dawn.

"Plays hob with my domestic life," said Jeannette, with a laugh. Her husband, Felix, is in an investment bank in Wall Street and works a daytime schedule.

Jeannette said the tension, not the hours, is beginning to tell. An interpreter must catch every word of the speaker and feed it back into a microphone immediately—in another language.

By the time a speech has run a couple of hours, an interpreter—perched high above the speaker's stand in a small "cabin" or booth—has begun to tire a little. After eight or nine hours and several speeches, the interpreter is ready for throat lozenges.

"Thankfully," said Jeannette, "I've suffered no laryngitis yet."

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HELEN BURKE Calls On Master

Chef Calderoni

The Making of a Chef—Then and Now

London and it was an outstanding success. It takes only seven minutes last-minute cooking and, to be perfect, must come sizzling to table.

There are two ways for a boy to become a chef. One is to enter a restaurant kitchen on leaving school at the age of 16.

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"I left school very early," he told me. "Boys, nowadays, do not leave school until they are 16. By that time, I had already gone a long way to becoming a chef, and at 19 was fully qualified and earning a good income. Today, with few exceptions, boys of 19 have learned comparatively little."

Mr. Calderoni had to pay for his training. "Today," he said, "the whole principle has changed. We pay apprentices. I would not like to see the old days back—they were too hard. We were in the kitchen at seven in the morning and had to work till late at night. There were no 'breaks' for meals or tea. We ate just when we could, in between filling orders. But the present system means that young men, nowadays, are much better getting to the top."

Every master chef has his own special dishes which, in due course, his pupils learn. Mr. Calderoni generously gave me two of his, together with several adaptations of one recipe which provide us with "variations on a theme."

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Rugs Never Stay Clean

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

So you think you're a pretty good housekeeper? Well, madam, you probably are. But no matter how fussy you are, how tidy you keep things about the house, I bet you will find your living room carpet or rug contains 'right now.'

A Chicago research and testing laboratory recently carefully examined a carpet soiled in the normal manner of everyday use.

Technicians found a bacterial count of 880,000 per square inch. Now that's a lot of bacteria anyway you look at it, especially when your youngsters unduly teddy play amidst this dirt several times a day.

If there is an asthma victim in your home, you should be vacuuming every day.

Most of you homemakers, however, just haven't got time to do a thorough vacuuming job day in and day out. Even if you did, you couldn't get rid of all the bacteria. A professional cleaning job by a competent and reliable firm is the answer.

Even this won't eliminate the bacteria completely. The testing laboratory still found a bacterial count of 23,000 per square inch after the carpet was cleaned by a professional process.

Yet this is a 90 percent reduction in bacteria—a pretty good cleaning job I would say. Actually, an average of 40.7 milligrams of dirt was removed per square inch of carpet.

I'm not endorsing any particular method of rug cleaning. I'm just telling you that your carpets probably are a lot more soiled than you think.

Maybe you'd better do something about it.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Strange Bird In A Tree

—The Feathers He Wore Couldn't Help Him Fly—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Handi, the shadow children with the turned-about names, waited until the room was dark, then they slid behind the bookshelf.

Behind the bookshelf the books looked like the doors to little houses.

Knarf and Handi walked inside the house marked Mother Goose House.

They walked through the house, down a long hall, then cut through another door into a sunny garden.

The garden, walked out through a pleasant road between two rows of tall sycamore trees.

It was all very pleasant, very sunny, very fragrant with roses and clover.

"I think," Handi said to Knarf as they walked along this delightful road, "that we ought to visit Simple Simon."

"That's a good idea," said Knarf. "Maybe by this time he finally caught the whale in his mother's pail."

At that moment they heard a loud "chirp-chirp-chirp." They stopped at once.

"That didn't sound like a bird," Knarf said. "Those chirps were much too loud," he continued.

"Why, it isn't a bird at all," said Handi, as she pointed up to a branch over their heads.

"Look, Knarf! Isn't that Simple Simon, sitting on a branch?"

"It certainly looks like him," said Knarf.

They both peered up. Somebody who looked very much like Simple Simon was sitting

Here Handi called up to Simon that sitting in a tree and having feathers in his cap and chirping didn't make him a bird.

"There's one thing you can't do," said Knarf. "It's something every bird can do."

"What's that?" asked Simon. "Fly," said Knarf.

Flapping His Arms The moment he said it, Knarf was sorry he had. For Simon immediately stood up on the branch and started flapping his arms up and down.

"All right," he said, "here I go! Watch me fly!"

Knarf and Handi both yelled: "Simon! Don't! You'll hurt yourself. You can't fly."

Simon shook his head sadly. "No," he said, "I suppose I can't. I guess I'm pretty foolish to be sitting up in this tree chirping like a bird with chicken feathers in my hat."

That's my big mistake—those chicken feathers. Chickens can't fly. I should have worn eagle feathers or even sparrow feathers."

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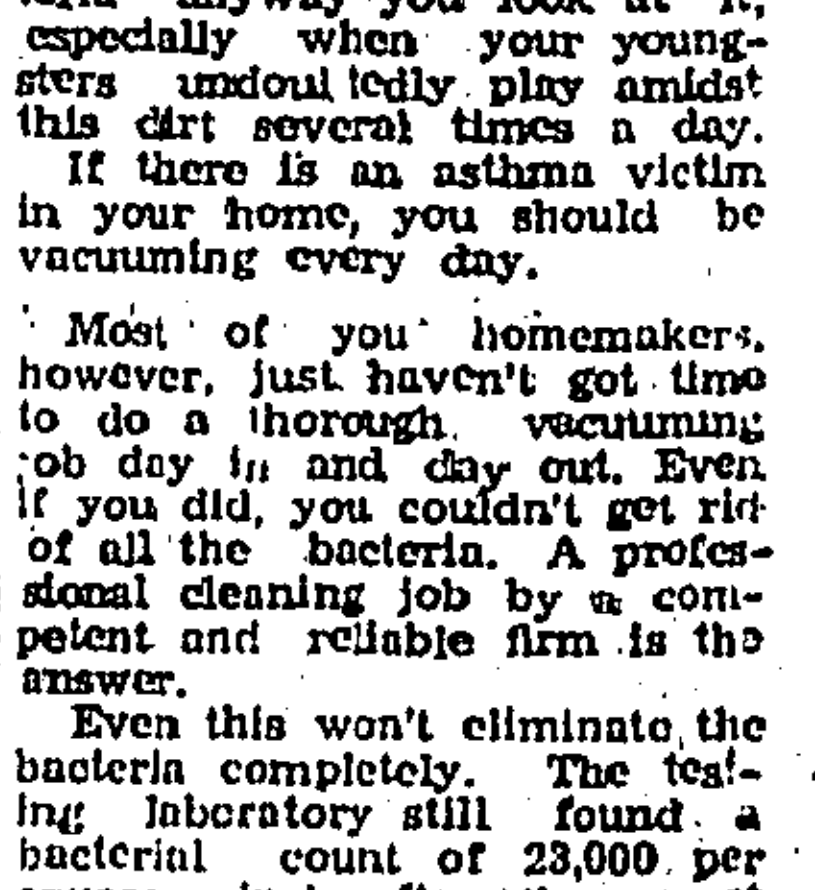
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Sports Diary

TODAY

Badminton CYMCA v. Recwco, CCC v. Nan Shing, Recwco Mixed Doubles University v. CYMCA, CCC v. Green v. CCY "Yellow".

Tennis Army Tennis Championship at USRC.

TOMORROW

Soccer

1st Division: Club v. Police (Club), Kitchener v. Kwong Wah (CHI) at 3.45 p.m.

Reserve Division: Club v. Police (Club) at 2.15 p.m.

2nd Division: Solicitors v. B & S (CHI), HEME v. Telephone (Navy), 2.15 p.m.; Prisoners v. Dockyard (Stanley) 2.30 p.m.

3rd Division: Holmdale v. University, Rediffusion v. Aircraft (HIV), at 2.30 p.m.; HIL v. AFS, Doodwell v. S & S Tamar (HIV), 4 p.m.

Cricket

1st Division: Scorpions v. Optimists, KCC v. Police, Navy v. Army South, RAF v. CCC.

2nd Division: Army South v. Navy, HIC v. Army North, KCC v. KCC Weaps, Police v. KCC Homeles, Hecro v. DBS.

Athletics

Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association Annual Athletic meet at Southern Playground, 1 p.m.

Tennis

Interport: Hongkong v. Macao: Leal Senado Cup at Club, 2.30 p.m.

Rugby

Police v. 27 Bde (BS), 4.30 p.m.; HK & Kin Garrison v. RAF Mainland (BS), 3.15 p.m.; 46 Bde v. Club "B" (BS), 4.30 p.m.; RAF Island v. Club "A" (BS), 3.15 p.m.; HK & Kin Garrison Mainland v. Navy (Sek Kong), 4 p.m.

Hockey

Annual Society Match between St Andrew's and St George's at KROC, 2.30 p.m.

HOME SOCCER FIXTURES

Following are the Home Soccer fixtures for to-morrow:

First Division

Arsenal v. Bolton
Birmingham v. Charlton
Burnley v. Wolves
Cardiff v. Sunderland
Chelsea v. Luton
Manchester U. v. Leeds
Newcastle v. Everton
Preston v. Blackpool
Preston v. Aston Villa
Wednesday v. Tottenham
West Brom v. Manchester C

Second Division

Bristol R. v. Fulham
Bury v. Barnsley
Doncaster v. Bristol C
Grimsby v. Sheffield
Huddersfield v. Port Vale
Leicester v. Notts Forest
Leyton v. Rotherham
Liverpool v. Lincoln
Middlesbrough v. West Ham
Nottingham v. Swansea
Stoke v. Blackburn

Scottish League "A"

Aberdeen v. Dunfermline
Ayr v. Celtic
East Fife v. Airdrie
Falkirk v. Rangers
Learts v. Kilmarnock
Motherwell v. Raith
Partick v. Hibernian
Queen's Park v. Dundee
St Mirren v. Dundee

Scottish League "B"

Albion v. Stirling Albion
Aberdeen v. Hamilton
Arbroath v. St Johnstone
Brechin City v. Morton
Clyde v. Morton
Cowdenbeath v. Berwick
Dumfries v. Nairn
Dundee v. Forfar
Stranraer v. Third Lanark

Hungarian Soccer Exiles May Settle In Mexico

Mexico City, Nov. 15.

Thirty-six Hungarian soccer players who refused to return to their Communist-subjugated homeland have requested asylum in Mexico, it was reported today.

The Hungarians, led by Ferenc Puskas, are rated among the world's top soccer players.

The Hungarian team, while touring Belgium and Holland, forwarded its request to Mexico to be permitted to play here and then to remain, the Professional Football Federation said.

The Federation said it would call a meeting of club presidents to discuss the Hungarian petition, and most sources said that individual sentiments were highly in favour of allowing the Hungarians to settle here.

It was recalled that much the same situation occurred several years ago when a Basque All-Star team was expelled from Spain and was granted sanctuary here.

The Hungarians plan a tour of Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Colombia, Costa Rica and then to Mexico.—United Press.

VALUABLE GOALS

Colin Barnes has scored from all five penalties he has taken for Wilton Albion this season, and how valuable they have been! One enabled his team to beat Bangor 3-2, another put Exeter out of the FA Cup, another drew a League match against Buxton and a fourth was a last minute winner against Tranmere Rovers.

Royal Hongkong Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 46. Orders by Brigadier L. T. Ride, CBE, ED, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated November 13, 1956.

Force Headquarters

Int. Platoon—Tuesday November 20, 1956—Parade MPG 0.30 p.m. Dress: Muff.

Light Troop—Wednesday November 21, 1956. Advance Party, Parade MPG 9 a.m. for Rediffusion Camp. Dress: Marching Order.

Main Party, Parade MPG 5 p.m. for HK RUKDF. Proceed to Rediffusion Camp. Dress: Marching Order.

C & R Troop—Monday November 19, 1956. Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for SOC Dress: Muff.

Home Guard

Training—Thursday November 22, 1956 Parade MPG 3.30 p.m. Dress: Muff.

Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force

Discipline—Members are reminded of R H K A F. Ordinance No. 23 of 1951, Part IV Para 23 which states: "Any officer or member who fails without good and sufficient reason to do shall be guilty of an offence."

Part IV Para 23. "If with prejudice to the provisions of subsection 3, or to the provisions of section 24 or to such provisions, if any, as may be contained in regulations made hereunder whereby officers or members may be deprived of an instruction allowance or of bounty every officer and member who—(a) fails without reasonable excuse to attend training and instruction which he is by virtue of regulations made hereunder from time to time required to attend; or (b) fails to use endeavours to obtain the full benefit of such training and instruction or to discharge any duty lawfully assigned to him in the course of such training and instruction, shall be guilty of an offence."

Provided that no prosecution for an offence against this section shall be commenced without the consent of the Commandant. Part IV Para 23. "Any person who wilfully obstructs any part of the Force or any officer or member in the performance of any service or duty under this Ordinance or regulations made thereunder shall be guilty of an offence."

Part IV Para 24. "Any person who is guilty of an offence against section 23, 25 or 27 shall be liable to a fine of one thousand dollars."

Discipline—Parade—All personnel are reminded that when utilised for a parade, attendance is compulsory unless prior permission is obtained from the Commandant.

St. John Ambulance Orders

Order by Mr. Fung Ping-fan, C.S.J., Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong District. Order No. 46/56, Dated November 15, 1956.

Ambulance Duties—Hongkong—18.11.56-24.11.56, Wanchai "B" Amb. Div.; 25.11.56-1.12.56, Shaukiwan Amb. Div.; November 1956: Manchu Nsg. Div.

Ambulance Duties—Kowloon—19.11.56-25.11.56, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 26.11.56-12.56, Tsimshatsui Amb. Div.; November 1956: Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.

Penetration Squad Duties—18.11.56, Dr. Portia Sheen, Dentist Li Min-yu, C.S.O. C. Hanks and Shaukiwan K.F. Nsg. Div.; 25.11.56, Dr. Fok Wing-kai, Dentist Li Tai-chai, D/O Poon Wai-chee and Shaukiwan K.F. Nsg. Div.

Orderly Duties At Mainland Area Hqs—15.11.56, KYMCA Amb. Div.; 16.11.56, Tsimshatsui Amb. Div.; 17.11.56, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 18.11.56, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 19.11.56, Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.; 20.11.56, Mongkok Amb. Div.; 21.11.56, KYMCA Amb. Div.

Football Duties—17.11.56, 2.15 p.m., Club Ground, Causeway Bay Amb. Div.; 17.11.56, 2.15 p.m., SCAA Ground, SCAA Amb. Div.; 18.11.56, 2.15 p.m., Club Ground, Wanchai "A" Amb. Div.; 18.11.56, 2.15 p.m., HK Govt. Stadium, Wanchai "B" Amb. Div.

Race Duties—24.11.56, At Race Course, Wanchai "B" Amb. Div.; At Newquaters, Eastern Amb. Div.

Street Sleepers Shelter Society Duties—November 1956: Shamshuipo, Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.; Western Dist: Manchu Nsg. Div.

Mongkok KFWA Assn. Clinic Duties—November 1956: KYMCA Nsg. Div.

HK Society For The Protection Of Children—Kowloon—15.11.56-17.11.56, Waterloo Nsg. Div.; 19.11.56-24.11.56, Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.

Promotion—Shaukiwan Amb. Div.: Hon. Sgt. & Div. Sec. Chan Chi-sun promoted Capt. w.e.f. 7.1.56; Chun King B.S. Amb. Div.: Hon. Sgt. & Div. Sec. Lo Kong-shing and L/Cpl. Cheung Kai-yan promoted to Cpl. w.e.f. 10.1.56; Ptes. Leo Bing-sun and Wong Bo-hung promoted to L/Cpl. w.e.f. 10.1.56.

Decrease Of Strength—(a) Reserve Wanchai "A" Amb. Div.: Pte. Lai Yu-cheung reserved w.e.f. 9.1.56; (b) Resignation—HKYMCA Amb. Div.: Pte. Chan Kai-wing resigned w.e.f. 7.1.56.

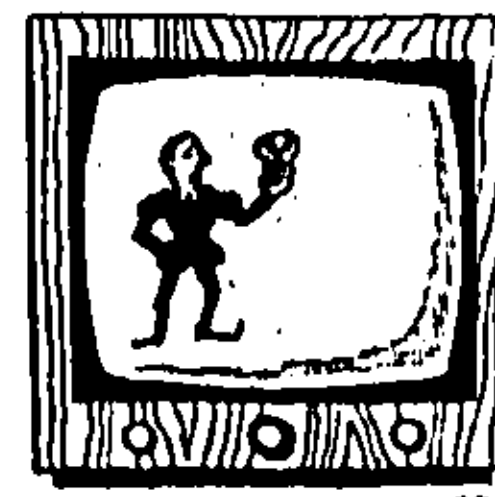
(Sgd.) F. I. Tseung, C.S.J.(A.) Deputy Commissioner, District Headquarters.

"SUGAR RAY" SIGNS CONTRACT FOR TITLE FIGHT

New York, Nov. 15.

World Middleweight Boxing Champion, Ray Sugar Robinson, and his challenger, Gene Fullmer, today officially signed the contract for their title fight to be held in Madison Square Gardens on December 12.

According to the terms of the contract, Robinson will receive 47.5 per cent of the takings and Fullmer will receive only 12.5 per cent.—France Press.



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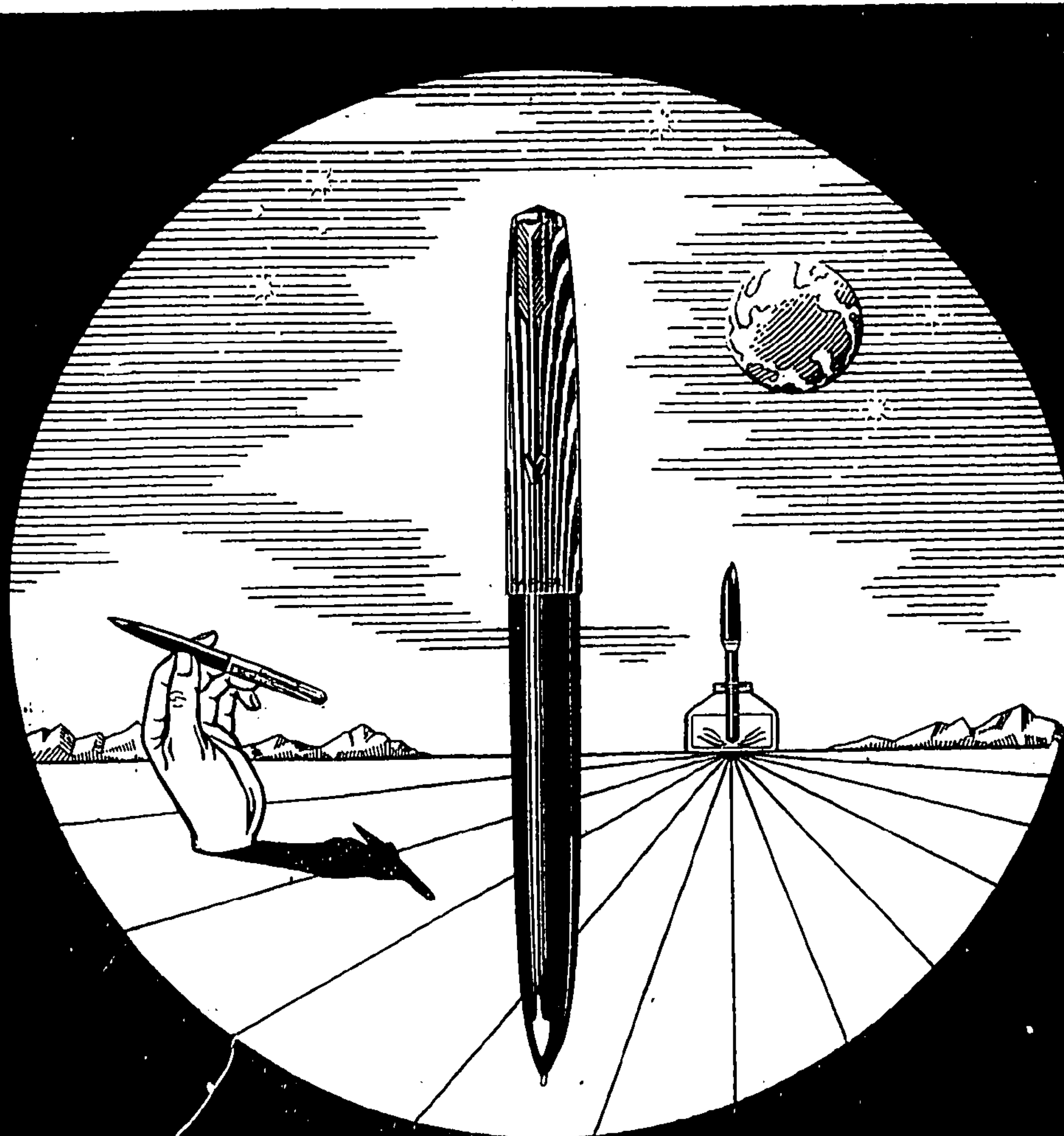
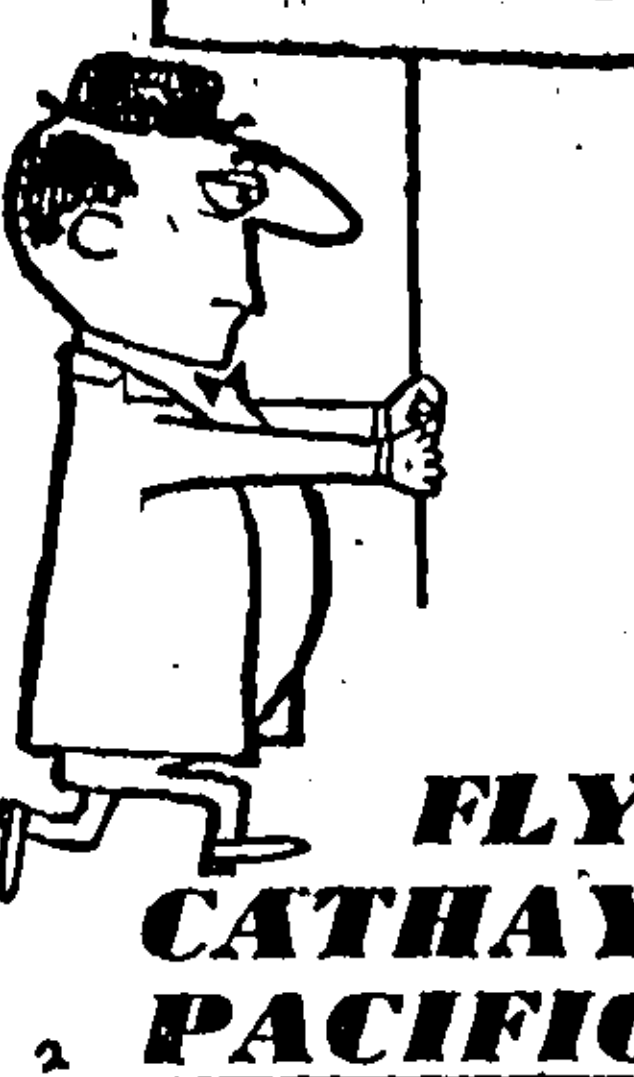
INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces about each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

1 Playwright
2 She drowned
3 European state
4 Spoken to oneself
5 Haunted castle
6 Foiled brother of 2

Solution on Page 9

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\$25M SHARE LOSS NOW

NEW MIDDLE EAST FEARS
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By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

A new downturn in prices caused by fears over the Middle East situation cut more than \$25 million from the listed value of major stocks on the Hongkong share market this week.

This means that in the last three weeks shareholders have lost a total exceeding \$55 million—easily the biggest loss this year.

It has been a short week because of the holiday on Monday, but turnover has been sharp. The market closed at \$25 million less than it started at this week.

Seventeen shares were marked down, the amounts varying from \$15 in the case of Hongkong Bank and \$4.50 for Yum-mat Ferry to \$1.50 for Cement and \$1 for Electric. Eleven shares are steady and one is higher. Last week the tally was 13 higher, nine steady and seven lower.

HESITANT MOOD

Commenting on this week's market, a prominent Hong Kong Street observer said: "It has been a poor week because of the continued uncertainty of the international situation and the loss of a day's trading on Monday."

"Following the pattern of other world markets, a hesitant mood has set in and as a result there has been an appreciable reduction in the volume of business transacted as well as a marking down of prices in all sectors."

"Although selling was never on a heavy scale, support was not sustained."

Brokers say repeated threats of Soviet intervention in the Middle East crisis disturbed the market this week and caused the virtual disappearance of buyers.

ONLY TEMPORARY

One observer pointed out, however, that although American dollars in terms of Hongkong dollars and sterling were dearer, the depreciating trend in the Hongkong dollar should have sent share prices higher, not lower.

CHICAGO GRAIN
PRICES

Chicago, Nov. 15. All grain futures moved on the Board of Trade today on heavy selling of wheat to develop the Middle East. Snow and rain over the area of the northwest wheat belt also contributed to the lower trend in wheat, while soybeans declined mainly on easiness in the oil market. Wheat closed up 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cent, soybeans off 1 1/4 to 2 1/2 cent.

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